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<u>DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE/FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION HEARINGS ON</u> SINGLE-FIRM CONDUCT TO CONTINUE ON NOVEMBER 1

Session to be Held in Washington to Focus on Tying

WASHINGTON — The Department of Justice's Antitrust Division and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) today announced that the latest in a series of joint public hearings designed to examine the implications of single-firm conduct under the antitrust laws will take place on Nov. 1, 2006, in Washington. As previously announced, these hearings will examine whether and when specific types of single-firm conduct may violate Section 2 of the Sherman Act by harming competition and consumer welfare and when they are procompetitive and lawful. The hearings will continue during the coming months.

The panel on Nov. 1 will explore tying arrangements. The session will be held at the FTC Headquarters Building, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., Room 432.

Further information is provided below:

Tying (9:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.):

David Evans is a visiting professor, faculty of laws, at University College London and vice chairman of LECG Europe.

Robin Cooper Feldman is an associate professor of law at Hastings College of the Law, University of California.

Mark Popofsky is an adjunct professor at Georgetown University Law Center and a partner at Kaye Scholer LLP.

Donald J. Russell is a partner at Robbins, Russell, Englert, Orseck, & Untereiner LLP.

Michael Waldman is the Charles H. Dyson professor of management and a professor of economics at Cornell University.

Robert D. Willig is a professor of economics and public affairs at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School, a director of Competition Policy Associates Inc., and a former Deputy Assistant Attorney General at the Department of Justice's Antitrust Division.

The public and press are invited to attend all of the hearings. Seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested parties may submit written comments to the Antitrust Division and the FTC.

Further information about these hearings will be posted on the Antitrust Division's Web site at http://www.usdoj.gov/atr/public/hearings/single_firm/sfchearing.htm and on the FTC's Web site at http://www.ftc.gov/os/sectiontwohearings/index.htm. Individuals seeking more information on the hearings should contact Gail Kursh, Deputy Chief, Legal Policy Section, Antitrust Division, at singlefirmconduct@usdoj.gov, or Patricia Schultheiss, FTC, at section2hearings2@ftc.gov.

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